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SUBJECT: KIEV-NEW YORK CONSULAR PROPERTIES

1. TEXT OF DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON NEW YORK-KIEV CONSULAR PROPERTIES FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT.

A) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE REFERS THE EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS TO THE US-USSR JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF JULY 3, 1974, WHEREIN THE TWO SIDES AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO THE SIMULTANEOUS ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNITED STATES CONSULATE GENERAL IN KIEV AND A SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL IN NEW YORK.

B) THE DEPARTMENT REFERS FURTHER TO THE NEED TO SATISFY IN AN EXPEDITIOUS MANNER THE PROPERTY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RESPECTIVE CONSULATES SO THAT THE CONSULATES CAN BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE LEAST POSSIBLE DELAY.

C) THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE THAT THE SOVIET EMBASSY HAS FOUND PROPERTIES IN NEW YORK CITY AT NINE EAST NINETY-FIRST STREET AND AN ADJACENT STRIP OF LAND WHICH THE SOVIET
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GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO PURCHASE FOR THE USE OF ITS CON-

SULATE.

D) THE DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED, BY MEANS OF THIS EXCHANGE OF NOTES, TO APPROVE THE ACQUISITION OF THE TWO PROPERTIES BY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT PROVIDED IT IS AT THE SAME TIME AGREED THAT EACH OF THREE FURTHER STEPS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESPECTIVE CONSULATES GENERAL WILL BE TAKEN SIMULTANEOUSLY IN NEW YORK AND KIEV.

D1) ARRIVAL OF ADVANCE PARTIES SIMULTANEOUSLY ON A DATE TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED.

D2) RECONFIGURATION OF OFFICE BUILDINGS TO START SIMULTANEOUSLY AFTER RECONFIGURATION PLANS HAVE BEEN MUTUALLY AGREED, WITH NEITHER OFFICE BUILDING TO BE OCCUPIED FOR ANY PURPOSE PRIOR TO THE START OF RECONFIGURATION EXCEPT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT.

D3) SIMULTANEOUS OPENING OF THE CONSULATES ON A DATE TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED.

E) A NOTE FROM THE SOVIET EMBASSY CONCURRING IN THIS PROCEDURE WILL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT AS REGARDS THE ACQUISITION OF THE NINETY-FIRST STREET PROPERTIES BY THE SOVIET SIDE AND THE SIMULTANEOUS ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSULATES GENERAL AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE DEPARTMENT WILL SO NOTIFY ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, INCLUDING THE CITY OF NEW YORK AND THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTIES TO BE SOLD.

F) THE AGREEMENT WILL COME INTO FORCE ON THE DATE OF THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES. END TEXT.

2. REPORT ON CONVERSATION WITH SOVIET EMBASSY CONSULAR MYSHKOV FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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